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july13 T. J. BURNES.

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NEW WESTMINSTER.
Has been thoroughly renovated and refurnished throughout. Conveniently situated, within easy distance of railway and steamboat landings. First-class in every respect. Rates $1 to $1.50 per day. JOHN RANKIN, Proprietor.
jan12 3m

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KAMLOOPS, B. C.
Is situate at the junction of North and South Thompson Rivers, and is one of the most delightful locations in the Province. First-class accommodation for tourists. Stage meets all East and West trains.
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F. DAVIS, Proprietor.
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WANTED.

WANTED.—A live, active Canvasser for city business wanted; favorable terms offered. Apply by letter to P. O. drawer No 32. j14 6t

WANTED.—Immediately, a Nursemaid, two Cooks, two Waitresses and Chambermaids; Four girls for general housework, Two Farm hands. PICKERING & Co. jan 12-1w

WANTED.—Tenders will be received by the undersigned to the 1st of February for Slashing and Grubbing 10 acres of timber land on James Island. R. T. WILLIAMS View & Govt., Street jan 10 td

IF YOU WANT Domestics, Farm hands, Labourers, Mechanics, Cooks, Waiters, etc., or any kind of labour done, call at the B. C. E. Bureau. PICKERING & Co., Fort St. Telephone 21.

WANTED—By a respectable young man, a situation in a warehouse or a store; or in any other similar capacity. First-class references and security if required. Address T. W., TIMES Office.

LOST AND FOUND.

BLACK AND TAN ENGLISH TERRIER. Answers to the name of Billy. A reward will be given by returning the same to the Pioneer Store, corner Discovery and Store sts. j8tf

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE.—An established Hotel business with a paying trade centrally situated, within a short distance of the Post Office. A good investment for a good man with CASH. Address, for particulars, "HOTEL," TIMES office.

MEETINGS TO BE HELD.

ST. ANDREWS and CALEDONIAN Society meets in their hall, Broughton street, between Government and Broad streets, on the FIRST FRIDAY of every month. All Scotchmen are invited to join.
sep 1-1y WILLIAM SCOTT, Secretary

AN ENTERTAINMENT IS GIVEN AT TEMperance Hall every Saturday evening. Good Temperance speakers and Musical Selections, with Recitations, forming a good programme. The Blue Ribbon Band will be in attendance. All are cordially invited. Chair taken at 7:30 o'clock precisely. S. GRAY, President.

EDUCATIONAL.

CORRIG SCHOOL.
A PRIVATE AND HIGH CLASS BOARDING SCHOOL
For young gentlemen. Will re-open on Monday, January 10th, 1887. Full staff of Instructors. Four vacancies for Boarders. dec 31-mo

SCHOOL FOR BOYS.
H. J. CAMPBELL, B. A.
Private tuition for candidates preparing for examinations. Kane street, next above Blanchard. jan7

MUSICAL.

HERR HEINRICH BOHRER,
PROFESSOR OF PIANO,
From Montreal, has arrived, and will reside for a permanency in Victoria. For terms, etc., address Hotel Driard, where he may be seen daily. dec22

INSURANCE.

THE NORWICH UNION
FIRE INSURANCE SOCIETY.
Established 1797. Amount insured, $200,000,000.
H. D. HELMCKEN, Agent.
Bastion street, Victoria, B. C. jan3 1y

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TURNER, BEETON & CO.,
MERCHANTS.
H. C. BEETON & Co.
36 FINSBURY CIRCUS
LONDON E.C. Wharf street, Victoria.

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Corner of Government and Broughton streets, Victoria, B. C. Dealer in fine family groceries of all kinds. Table delicacies in great variety. Also choice tea and coffee.

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HOME INDUSTRY
Engines and Boilers of every description. Cooking and Heating Stoves, etc.
ANDREW GRAY, Manager.
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A. & W. WILSON,
PLUMBERS, GAS FITTERS,
Bell Hangers and Tinsmiths. Dealers in Best descriptions of Heating and Cooking Stoves, Ranges, etc. Shippers supplied at lowest rates. Fort street, Victoria, B. C. Telephone call, 126.

TRANSPORTATION.

W. BUCKETT,
TRUCK AND DRAYMAN.
Begs to inform patrons and public generally that he is still to be found on the old stand, Yates Street, and hopes, by strict attention to business, to receive a share of their patronage. My name will appear on all trucks and drays. All orders left at Baker and Sons, Yates Street, or the Fashion Stables, Fort Street, will receive prompt attention. Apr 2-1mo

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE.
A PAYING BUSINESS,
In New Westminster, B. C., for sale. Six Bedrooms, well furnished, Dining Room and Furniture, Kitchen, with Range, Cooking Utensils and Table Ware. Price $1200. Reasons for selling, old age and being unable to attend to the business. Address W., HERALD office, Vancouver. jaly10

MEDICAL.

MRS. McGREGOR, MIDWIFE. Diploma and highest testimonials of proficiency from the University of Edinburgh. Calls promptly attended to. Residence, corner of Douglas and Cormorant street, over Gosnell's grocery store. m-r13

Russia has borrowed 75,000,000 francs from France to construct a canal from the Black Sea to the Sea of Azof.

A new Produce Exchange has been opened in Berlin for merchants and manufacturers in every branch of industry.

The Suez Canal will be ready in February for night traffic through its entire length. Vessels are to be provided with electric lights.

ANYONE Can earn from two to five dollars a day by soliciting subscribers for the New Ladies' Domestic Magazine to be published in January. It is the best household paper in Canada, subscription only 50c. per year; bound to sell. The publishers are determined to secure a circulation of 50,000 to start with, and will send the Magazine for a whole year and a valuable present for 25c. Just think of it, this offer remains good for 60 days only. Address
ADELBERT MILES, Business Manager,
jan 12 D&W STANSTEAD, P. Q.

Gems of British Columbia.

Ladies who have had their children's photographs taken at Mrs. R. Maynard's Studio during last year, 1886, and have not received one of her yearly gems through the mail or otherwise, can do so by calling at the studio, Douglas street.*

TRAVELING IN ALASKA.

An Overland Exploring Expedition of 1000 Miles.

Ensign Wm. L. Howard, U. S. N., Tells His Experience.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Ensign William L. Howard, U. S. N., who recently returned with Lieut. Stoney's exploring expedition from Alaska, is in the naval hospital at Brooklyn suffering from the effects of the journey of a thousand miles which he made overland from Fort Cosmos to Point Barrow. The journey was through a part of Alaska never before explored, and for a great part of the time Ensign Howard lived among the natives, who never before had seen a white man. Mr. Howard said to a reporter yesterday: "I left Fort Cosmos, on the Putnam river, on April 12th, taking with me F. J. Price, a man whom I selected because of his reliability and his sturdy physique. Through everything that occurred afterwards I always had cause to congratulate myself upon my selection. I was ordered by Lieut. Stoney to journey across the country to Point Barrow and explore that

INTERIOR SECTION OF ALASKA,

of which little or nothing was known. We started with two sledges and sixteen dogs. The traveling over the mountains was pretty rough, as we frequently got caught in a blizzard before we could reach the valley. Every mountain we came to we would have to unpack our sledges and carry the cargo over on our backs, the dogs following with the sledges themselves. When caught in a blizzard we had to lash our sledges and baggage together and tie ourselves to the sledges to avoid being blown away. I struck the Caldwell river and explored its head waters, sledging for seven days on its frozen surface. The natives, as a rule, treated me with the greatest kindness and did everything in their power to assist me on my journey. By some mysterious means, whenever I arrived at a village the inhabitants had been informed that I was coming and turned out *en masse* to receive me. Those tribes who never before had seen a white man took the greatest possible interest in the personal appearance of Price and myself, but they are a stoical race, and tried their best not to let me see their surprise at my white skin and light hair. Even those tribes which had never seen a white man before had tobacco and rifles, obtained from other tribes which traded with the coast Indians. They are a very diminutive people, and are more like the Esquimaux than they are the North American Indian. They are excessively fond of tobacco—men, women and children smoking. I have seen a mother take a nursing child from her breast and put a pipe in its mouth, that the little creature might enjoy a few whiffs.

LEAVING THE CALDWELL RIVER,

"I crossed the mountains and discovered a river which the natives called the Ikpikpuk. I forebore to name this river, leaving that for the Navy Department to do. My provisions having now run low, Price and I were living on one 'flapjack' a day. The natives had got out of food and were living on some decayed and putrid seal blubber. It was useless to try and push north until the river should open and we could catch fish to live on. Price and I, having eaten our last 'flap-jack,' found some roots, which did not go bad at pinch. I determined to explore the river I had discovered and so pushed my way to its headwaters, followed by my natives, and there encamped from May 29 to June 3. The natives lived on their putrid seal blubber, and Price and I ate roots until June 3. Then the birds began to fly, and we were fortunate enough to shoot some. The river opened too, and we caught some fish. The natives bore their hardships without a murmur and took everything as a matter of course. The way they treat their women is simply abominable. One day when we were making a particularly hard march I noticed a woman was about to

BECOME A MOTHER

and had difficulty in keeping up with the party. Suddenly the Indians halted and some of the men dug a cave in the snow and threw some skins into it. Then they put the woman in and resumed their journey. I tried to prevent their leaving the poor creature there, but they insisted upon going on. We encamped that night about six miles from the place where we had left the woman, and at 12 o'clock that night she came into camp, bringing with her her new-born babe. The next morning when we started on our journey I offered her my sledge, but neither she nor the rest of the tribe would hear of such a thing, and she trudged along contentedly with the other women all day. When the ice broke up on the Ikpikuk we floated down to the shore of the Arctic Ocean, a distance of 200 miles, in boats made of dried skins. Near its mouth the river expanded into a series of shallow lakes, some of them five miles wide. At the mouth of the river we met a tribe of coast Indians, and even they seemed to know of our coming. Here an old woman brought us some flour, the first we had seen for about two months. I could only give her a plug of tobacco to repay her for her lonely journey of fifty miles to our relief. It was midnight and the sun was shining brightly—if you can imagine such a thing, when, having completed my voyage in a skin boat along the Arctic coast, I walked up to the house at Point Barrow and knocked at the door. A man opened it after a little and was speechless with astonishment to see two white men standing there. When he had partially recovered he exclaimed: "Where in blazes did you come from, and who in blazes are you?" I answered: "From Fort Cosmos, and I am Mr. Ensign Howard, United States Navy; when do you breakfast?" He gave a shout that brought the other two inmates of the house to the door, and, oh, what a breakfast they did give us. I went to bed at 8 o'clock, but it seemed so nice to have all I wanted to eat once more that I just lay awake until lunch time."

HE NEARLY GOT LEFT.

(Dedicated to D. W. H.)

The wondrous man of old—ah me!
The wondrous man of old,
Of triple-plate integrity
And goodness double soled;
Of economic ways, of heart
That ne'er knew touch of gold,
Ah! why did they not manifold
This wondrous man of old?

Hall & Quackenbush, Vancouver, B. C. have the most complete list of business and suburban properties for sale at the terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Price and terms to suit all parties. Inquiries by mail promptly answered. References.

Buried in Snow Slides.

The Winnipeg *Free Press*, of the 10th inst, says: The transcontinental express due Saturday evening, did not arrive in the city till yesterday afternoon, and the reporter was informed by a gentleman who came through from the coast that snow slides with the assistance of a big Rocky Mountain pine caused the mischief. The tree fell across the track between Kamloops and Donald, and some little delay was occasioned before the obstruction was removed. Another misfortune in the shape of a snow slide was met with on Friday shortly after the train left Donald. The time occupied in removing "the beautiful" was considerable, as the work had to be done in a particular manner, as ten section employees who were engaged on the line were covered, and it was some little time before they were unearthed from their chilly and dangerous position. Fortunately for the luckless victims of the slide its size was not great, and while the majority of them remained under but a few minutes, the rest did not escape so lightly. One of the men was buried entirely and out of sight for an hour and thirty-five minutes before the gang of searchers came across him. When brought to light he was removed in a very weak and semi-frozen condition to a car, and with proper attention soon revived from the shock.

THE SEAL FISHERIES.

Where this Valuable Fur-Bearing Fish Comes From.

Its Resort in Alaskan Waters and the Behring Sea.

Quite a number of schooners are being fitted out at this port to depart at an early date for the sealing waters off Alaska and the Behring Sea. Last season's operations were regarded as satisfactory, forming an incentive for others to embark in this supposed to be a profitable avocation.

As there is considerable interest taken in the sealing business in Victoria on account of the value of the pelts the following particulars regarding the habits of that valuable fish, taken from the *Pall Mall Gazette* are well worth reading: Probably, says our contemporary, not one lady in a thousand who wears a sealskin jacket has the vaguest idea of its origin, its history, or of its original owner. Still less probably can she imagine of what wild scenes and marvellous natural phenomena that much prized fur is the outcome. All these points are narrated in the book before us. The

RESORTS OF THE FUR SEAL

are now confined exclusively to the Alaskan region, and even there to the two small islands forming the Pribylov group, lying far out in the stormy Behring sea. In former days these valuable pinnipeds were also found in teeming myriads in the Antarctic seas, but the ruthless greed and short sighted avarice of competing nationalities have virtually extirpated the race in those waters. Nowhere else, therefore, in the wide world can a fur-loving civilization look for its supplies than to these two small islands far away in the North Pacific. Now, however, thanks to the wise foresight and admirable regulations of the United States Government (to which the islands belong), there appears no reason to fear that the present supply will continue undiminished. The story of the earliest discovery, exploration and final subjugation of Alaska by Russia, together with ethnological and biographical descriptions of the savage aborigines, form the first portion of the book. The territory was transferred by Russia in 1867 to the U. S. Government. It is, however, in the account of the two

FUR SEAL ISLANDS,

and of the marvellous, almost incredible, aggregation of amphibian life which annually resorts thereto, that the chief interest of Mr. Elliott's volume necessarily centres. Early in May—as soon as the shore is clear of ice and snow—the fur-seal millions arrive. First come the "bulls." On a fine, cloudy moonlight night they emerge from the sea in countless squadrons, and climb out over the rocks of their ancestral domains, till mile after mile of coast line is densely packed. Then ensues one of the most extraordinary scenes of ferocity and animal passions of which we have ever read. All over the wide extent of the "rookeries" the fierce bull seals engage for weeks in a long succession of deadly combats. These combats are not for possession of the fair; they have not yet come, not arriving for three weeks after the males. These fights are simply *pro aris et focis*; each bull must defend by force of arms (or teeth) the six feet or eight feet plot of bare rock which he has selected for his seraglio, and make good his right and title thereto against all comers. Then, when the females do come, their first duty is that of maternity—the "pups" being born within a few hours of the mothers reaching the land.

THE UNFORTUNATE CREATURES,

nevertheless, receive some of the roughest treatment imaginable at the hands of their lords, being seized and pulled about in every direction by contending teeth, till the blood streams from the cruel wounds. The spectacle, presented by these seal "rookeries" in the month of June, when the season is at its height, must be truly marvellous—"it is a vast camp of parading squadrons which file and deploy from the summit of the lofty hill a mile down to where it ends on the shore, a long mile, smooth and gradual from the sea to that hill top." The important question,

WILL THE SEALS LAST?

is fully discussed. The aggregate number in 1874 is estimated at 4,700,000, of which nearly 3,200,000 were breeding seals, producing over a million "pups" each year. After making every allowance for the various dangers of which seal life is exposed, from sharks, killer whales, and other enemies and contingencies, there remain a yearly minimum of 180,000 available for slaughter, leaving also a sufficient breeding stock. Of these the government allow an annual kill of 100,000 and no more. The charter and regulations of the Alaska company ensure that this maximum is never exceeded. There is, therefore, good ground for hoping that the Pribylov islands will long continue their ability to furnish that yearly supply of skins. The descriptions of the manner of capture, or rather of "driving the herds" of non-breeding male seals (which alone are killed) are most interesting and remarkable. But the subjects treated are far too numerous adequately to notice here, and we strongly advise our readers to get the book for themselves and find out in its pages all about a strange, unknown and highly interesting section of the world.

INTERIOR RANCHING.

The Beautiful Kootenay Valley and the Rocky Mountains.

Col. Baker's Ranche--His Hospitality--Golden Fields.

The writer of the series of letters "Along the C. P. R.," which have been appearing in the Toronto *Week* for some months back extended his trip into the Kootenay country. In his letter descriptive of that hitherto comparatively unknown section of British Columbia he says: We continued our way over the high grass benches and followed the course of the river farther and farther up the beautiful Kootenay Valley. A cold wind blew down upon us from the Rocky mountains, near which we were riding, and made the temperature anything but agreeable for early September weather. We caught occasional glimpses of the Kootenay winding far below us through its yellow hay marshes and extensive flats, similar in character to the one we had passed on Saturday. At noon we reached the second crossing of the river. Here the ferryman had a picturesque log house, charmingly situated on a cliff high above the water, and commanding a most extensive view of the country we had just ridden through, as well as that upon which we were about to turn our backs. We got off our horses and descended on foot the steep gravel road leading down to the Kootenay, which we crossed, animals and riders, in a large flat-bottomed scow, propelled by the force of the current and worked with pulleys upon a heavy rope stretched in primitive fashion from a tree on one bank to a tree on the other, the river here being some hundred feet wide only at low water. Mounting again we left the Kootenay behind us, and rode on through a wooded bottom of young poplars, where some grouse got up under our horses' feet, but escaped into the thick cover above us. We soon came to the end of this flat, and ascended a high hill into more park country beyond. A gallop over this brought us to one of a chain of small lakes covered with wild fowl, where we stopped to dine, and were en route again by three o'clock; we had not gone far before the threatening clouds of mist descended upon us in a solid, penetrating rain. After cantering on for about a mile through this damp medium,

COLONEL BAKER'S RANCHE

came suddenly into view, and was hailed with proportionate delight. It consisted of a number of detached buildings situated on a gently-rising ground from the broad plain below, which stretched away to some wooded grass benches, and was bounded in the gray distance by the main range of the Rocky Mountains rising in serrated peaks upon the horizon.

We received the warmest of welcomes, and were soon drying ourselves over a huge fire in the sitting-room. The house proper was a long, low, log building, entered by a hall its full width, whose walls were decorated with numerous saddles, bridles, and other equestrian appointments; from this, one door opened upon a succession of bedrooms, occupying all the available space upon that side; the other upon the typical, or rather ideal, living-room of a gentleman's residence in the wilds of British Columbia. This apartment was very large, and was filled with chairs, lounges, tables, and bookshelves; a gun-rack, with nine handsome rifles and various implements of the rod and chase, occupied a prominent position on one side, almost opposite to a writing-desk of business-like proportions, with pigeon-holes filled with papers and documents. The crowning feature of the whole was an enormous fire-place at the end, quite large enough to roast the proverbial ox in, which certainly accommodated a full-length cordwood stick with perfect ease. The windows commanded an extensive view to the west, of rolling mountains and wooded plains with the noble Selkirk Range lying in the distance.

The rain continued to descend in torrents until late in the evening, and we congratulated ourselves heartily on being under a roof. We found the same party of Englishmen (which, however, included Mr. Forbes, part owner of the celebrated American yacht Puritan, himself a Bostonian), whom we had met and camped with the Kootenay woods; they were, like ourselves, enjoying

COL. BAKER'S HOSPITALITY,

and we spent a most agreeable evening, discussing various adventures by land and water, and relating our personal experience in the country. We found they had only arrived two hours before us. The following morning we realized one of the numerous phases of ranche life in the departure of these gentlemen, with numerous pack-horses and packers, on a hunting expedition in Montana. Another Englishman, who had been shooting for two months in the Rocky Mountains with a solitary attendant, had also turned up the previous evening, drenched to the skin, and made his exit with four more horses a couple of hours later in another direction. The arrival and departure of travelers and hunters serves to break the monotony of ranche life in the interior, where communication with the outer world is only maintained by a mail once in six weeks, and the society of fellow creatures is warmly appreciated amid so much unavoidable isolation.

I took a short walk with mine host after lunch to see some of the beautiful views that Cranbrooke boasted, and was lost in admiration of golden stubble fields, a mile long and a mile wide, which Colonel Baker has rescued from the plain, and which extended, in

WELL-FENCED LINES,

to the distant foothills below the mountains. We concluded our little expedition by a visit to the Palace Hotel, on the same property and not far from the house. This rambling log-building of ambitious nomenclature was the abode of a prosperous Chinaman, known in the neighborhood as the "Captain;" his rank dated, I believe, from the time when he commanded a pirate junk. Previous to his nautical experiences he held the honorable appointment of Lord High Executioner in the Celestial Empire; and a notable character he was—gray, grizzled, and communicative. We went into the Palace, sat down, and chatted with him for a time, so far as his limited command of the English language would permit; he bestowed upon me some delectable condiments called candy, consisting of small, dried plums, like prunes, and slices of sugared citron, not particularly clean. His hotel was the resort of all his countrymen, numbers of whom were mining in the neighborhood, and was largely patronized.

THE STAGE.

Second Performance of the "Oath of Love" last Evening.

Judging from the large house which greeted the repetition of this favorite opera last evening the popularity of the Winston-Pyke Company increases with each performance. That this should be so is evidence of the high artistic ability of the stars and the excellence of the chorus. It is not often that any company, no matter how high their reputation, can draw as good audiences for five successive nights, in Victoria, as this company have done. Miss Jeannie Winston, as the Count, was superb; Miss Louise Manfred as Rosette, as vivacious and captivating as ever, while Miss Evans as Marion has won the hearts of all by her unaffected manners and sweet singing. At the matinee this afternoon "Prince Methusalem" was performed to a good audience. To-night: "Boccaccio," the liveliest and best opera of the entire repertoire, will be repeated. The company will leave by the Sound steamer on Monday morning.

Smashed Carriage.

A team of horses belonging to W. G. Bowman, ran away to-day on the road to the outer wharf and smashed the cab almost beyond redemption and recognition No one was injured, which is fortunate.

THE GERMAN CRISIS.

The Army Bill Defeated and Reichstag Dissolved.

Landlordism in Ireland--Bright on Federation.

BERLIN, Jan. 14.—The fate of the army bill was settled to-day by the Reichstag adversely to the government, and action was immediately taken to dissolve the chamber. On the reassembling of the Reichstag, Herr Von Stauffenberg's amendment, limiting the duration of the bill to three years, was voted upon, and the amendment was carried, the vote being 186 to 154. Conservatives, Imperialists and National Liberals voted with the ministry. Socialists and most of the Alsatian members abstained from voting. Bismarck immediately read the imperial message dissolving the Reichstag. The imperial decree fixes February 21st for holding a general election for the new Reichstag.

Meetings of the Bundesrath have been held recently to decide upon what action should be taken by that body in the event of the defeat of the army bill in the Reichstag.

The *North German Gazette*, in an article on the dissolution, says: "Before all, the German people demanded that the Reichstag shall grant, without fear or hesitation, what is necessary for the external and internal security of the Empire. Upon this point common sense will teach that the voter will place more value than on imperious parliamentary politicians."

The streets adjacent to the Parliament buildings were thronged with people awaiting the decision of the Reichstag on the army bill. Bismarck upon his arrival was enthusiastically greeted by the populace. The campaign will be unequalled for fierceness.

There was great excitement in the Reichstag when the result of the division on the army bill was announced. Members of the Center indulged in triumphant cheer, which were responded to with cries of "Shame!" Uproar followed the reading of the dissolution of the Reichstag. Groups formed in the lobby and discussed with animation the probable outcome of the government defeat. Socialists appeared most pleased. They believe the coming election will result in a gain for the Socialist party.

Irish Evictions.

DUBLIN, Jan 14.—The eviction of tenants on the Winan estate, Kerry, was continued to-day. In some cases the bailiffs were stoutly resisted by occupants of the houses, who barred the doors and windows, and refused to allow the officers to enter. The bailiffs made several attempts to force their way into dwellings, but were repulsed with hot water and stones, and forced to retreat, many with severe wounds and scalds. The siege lasted several hours. Finally the police with loaded weapons threatened to fire. The offenders yielded and submitted to arrest. Twenty-five prisoners were taken into custody. The wife of a tenant was carried out of a house by officers in a fainting condition, and afterward left in the yard. Hartington, M. P., exhorted them to avoid violence, and with difficulty prevented bloodshed.

BRIGHT ON FEDERATION.

Mr. John Bright, in a letter declining an invitation to attend a meeting of the advocates of federation, on the ground that he has no sympathy with the objects and purposes thereof, asks the projectors of the movement how the proposed federation would deal with the fisheries disputes between the United States and Canada. If Canada were independent, he asserts, she would yield to the argument of her powerful neighbor, and if there were no Dominion of Canada, the dispute would soon have been settled by English concession of America's reasonable claims. The federation project, he said, was mainly the offspring of the Jingo spirit, which clamors for a vast and continually widening empire, and seems almost ready to boast that the empire can fight the world outside its own limits. Bright says he would recommend sensible men to let the question rest.

French and Chinese.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan 14.—The latest information received regarding the sacking of Hakoi and Monkoi by Chinese pirates states that Lieut. MacMahon, nephew of Marshall MacMahon, at Hakoi, was not killed, but succeeded in holding the fort. A determined effort will be made to recapture Monkoi. It is reported that the Chinese are regular pirates in their work of destruction. Three French war ships are reported to be coming along the China coast near Pack Lung, making reprisals for the outrages against Hakoi and Monkoi.

Jubilee Yacht Race.

LONDON, Jan. 14.—The course for the Jubilee Yacht Race for boats of all nations has at last been determined upon. The race will be sailed around the United Kingdom. Yachts will start from the Thames, and be required to keep Great Britain and the Isle on the port hand. The finish point will be at Dover. The race takes place early in June.

Ex-Ald. Jones who was declared mayor elect of Winnipeg on a recount, has resigned, and will contest the city for the seat with his late opponent, ex-Ald. Pearson.

A TERRIBLE CALAMITY.

The Arlington Hotel, New Westminster, Burned Down.

Three Lives Lost---T. McKay, Geo. Campbell and R. Brown.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Jan. 15.—A fire broke out at 2 o'clock this morning in the Arlington Hotel, a large two and a half story building on Columbia street. The fire originated in the front of the building and spread with great rapidity. The inmates were speedily aroused and all escaped with the exception of three, viz: Thomas McKay, contractor; Geo. Campbell, one of the owners of the woolen mill, and Rufus Brown, a fence builder on the C. P. R. By 3 o'clock the building was burned to the ground. The building was owned by Joseph Burr, and was insured for $1,500, and was occupied by Robt. Campbell as an hotel, who had insurance on the furniture and contents to the amount of $2,500. Mr. McKay was aroused and ran out to the front of the verandah. He was told by friends below to jump, but being apparently dazed ran back into the building. He re-appeared on the verandah a few minutes later but was completely enveloped in flames and fell to the sidewalk from where his remains were shortly afterwards removed. He was evidently dead before the body touched the sidewalk. George Campbell's room-mate gathered his clothes in his arms and ran out in his night clothes and escaped. Mr. Campbell waited to put his on and was caught in the flames. When the remains were found the lower limbs were gone and only the charred bones of the body remained. Mr. Brown's remains were found in the ruins this morning; everything being burned but the trunk of the body, the head and limbs having been burned to cinders. An inquest is now being held and a strict enquiry will be made as to the cause of the fire.

[Thomas McKay, one of the victims, is well known in Victoria. He was about 45 years of age and was the contractor for the Fraser river lighthouse. George Campbell arrived in New Westminster a little over a year ago from Sherbrooke, Que. He was an elderly man and well known to woollen manufacturers, having occupied the position of superintendent in several large eastern mills.—ED.]

Municipal Elections.

CHILLIWHACK, Jan. 14.—Samuel Cawley was elected reeve by sixteen majority over G. W. Chadsey. D. S. Wilder was returned by the casting vote of the returning officer, and W. Bell by one majority for councillor.

HAMMOND, Jan. 14.—The vote stood for reeve: Harris, 39; Isaacs, 35. For councillors, first ward, Docksteader, 19; Ferguson, 23; Stickeny, 13. Second ward, Dawson, 33; Laity, 31; J. W. Sinclair, 27; Trimbath, 17.

Horses and Rifles.

LONDON, Jan. 14.—The government has decided to purchase 40,000 additional horses and 500,000 Winchester self-repeating rifles, to be ready in March.

ENGLISH POLITICS.

Lord Randolph Churchill in a letter explaining his resignation from the cabinet says his object was to secure economy with efficiency. He will gladly co-operate with anyone to induce or compel the House of Commons to revert to the better financial principles which prevailed before 1874. Gladstone thinks this letter does honor to Churchill, and offers the latter chances to again raise the flag of economy.

A FORMAL PROCEEDING.

A ministerial council was held at the Queen's residence at Osborne to-day. The seals of office were then transferred to the new members of the cabinet, and to those who had changed office, and the minister kissed the Queen's hand as he formally notified them of their appointments.

MY MAMMIE

"WHAUR sae safe frae a' temptation,
Whaur sae sure o' peace an' rest,
Whaur sic love are ye commandin',
As upon yer Mammie's breast?"

Wha's sleepin' wi' a waukrife ear
The very slichtest soun' to hear;
An' may be dreamin' o' her dear?—
My Mammie!

Wha, risin', has her first concern
Aboot the welfare o' her bairn;
Then feels as if her nerves were airn?—
My Mammie!

Wha sets yer wee bit breakfast doun,
When Daddie's aff an' ower the toun,
Syne lifts ye in yer flannen goun?—
My Mammie!

Wha pours yer porridge in yer plate,—
An' hears yer "grace" upon the meat,—
An' feeds ye like a king in state?—
My Mammie!

Wha blaws an' blaws them if they're warm,
An' tastes them aye in case o' harm,
Till what is left wad starve a worm?—
My Mammie!

Wha gets ye drest, wi' mony a wile
To check impatience for the while;
An' in her radiance gars ye smile?—
My Mammie!

Wha's airt concocts some dainty plan
To let ye help her, like a man,
In reddin' up what needs her han'?—
My Mammie!

Wha tells o' Jesus' love to man,
O' Joseph's coat, an' Moses' wan'!—
Or lilts to ye the "Happy Lan'?"—
My Mammie!

Wha clasps ye in her dear embrace?—
An' hushes ye wi' face to face,
In love that micht an angel grace?—
My Mammie!

Wha' is't your scandel blanket warms,—
An' shelters ye frae a' alarms,—
An' leaves ye in her Saviour's arms?—
My Mammie!

Coming to Victoria.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 14.—On the steamship Mexico, sailing to-day, are the following passengers for Victoria: Dr J Hedders and wife, J P Richardson, W Lawler, Miss L Callin, H P Gray, Dr A O West, M H Cowan, A Frank, W Foster and wife, H E Lange, A C Perry, H S Flood, Mrs Isart, H McDonald, J. Hault, E P Crane, E C Hull, W Walker, wife and two children.

The ship St. Stephen, bark [illegible] and schooner Courser all outward bound at anchor in Port Angeles harbor, awaiting a favorable opportunity to proceed.

The Ontario Legislature meets on the 10th February.

The Daily Times.

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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

If a national debt is really a national blessing, Canada has blessing enough and to spare. But what sensible man is there in the Dominion who believes that he can be enriched by paying high taxes on the necessaries of life.

An extra of the Canadian *Gazette*, published late last Saturday evening puts in force the Act passed last session granting representations in the Northwest Territories. This is regarded as an indication that a dissolution of the House is imminent.

Toronto *World*: Whether Sir John shall ultimately decide in favor of a short session or not—let that be regarded as his own secret—the time is here when every man who expects to figure in the contest for control of the House of Commons should put his affairs in order. The days will be none too long for what he has to do in that behalf.

Russia is to try a loan of 75,000,000 of francs, in the Paris market, through the agency of the Hersents. The ostensible object for which the money is required is to construct a canal from the Black Sea to Sea of Azov. By this means a direct water route from the River Don to the Black Sea would be secured. Such is the alleged object. If the money was once got and war should break out, might it not be diverted from the purpose for which it was ostensibly obtained?

The Governor of New York, in his message to the Legislature, suggests that a specific tax be paid upon all contracts for the sale of stock or bonds of corporations, or for the sale of petroleum, drugs, cotton, tea coffee, pork, grain and other produce, which contracts are popularly known as the transactions of "bucket shops," so called, wherein such property to assumed to be sold or purchased is not understood in fact to be sold or purchased or intended to be transferred or delivered, but the transactions are in effect, though not in form, bets or wagers upon the future market prices of such property.

The Dominion Government granted $100,000 to the fund for continuing the Colonial Exhibition in permanent form. That scheme has fallen through, and it is now proposed to form what is called an "Imperial Institute;" and though no details have been given, and the Ottawa Ministers assert "that the original plan has been greatly marred," it is intended that the money shall be paid over, and the British authorities permitted to do as they see fit with it. Would it not have been more business-like to retain control of the cash till it was definitely ascertained how the money was to be laid out?

A sensation was caused in financial circles by the announcement that the Great Northwestern telegraph company had failed to forward to the Montreal telegraph company funds for the payment of the guaranteed quarterly dividend due January 1, and which had therefore to be deferred. Stock fell 10 per cent., but recovered 2 per cent. at the close. A letter was received by the directors of the Montreal company that the dividend would be paid under protest. The protest arrived, but not the check. The protest is based on the ground that the Canadian Pacific has been using lines of which the Montreal company transferred the sole control to the Great Northern.

Austria has for some time been haunted by an unpleasant suspicion that she was being deserted by Germany. The statement is now made in a positive form, that a formal alliance between Germany and Russia has been concluded. Russia binds herself not to interfere, in the event of a war between France and Germany, and Germany undertakes to remain neutral in the event of war between Russia and Austria. It is obvious that in these events, Russia and Germany would desire precisely what they are reported to have agreed upon. This gives probability to the alleged alliance. The denials that have been made are in no way official and do not deserve absolute credence.

Over the sinews of war powerful financial corporotions are not without influence. The decision of the Rothschild group of syndicates against further Russian loans will put a check on any war-like propensity in which Russia may desire to indulge, though it would scarcely prevent her plunging into a war on which the Emperor had set his heart. Russia could doubtless draw on her domestic resources, for a large amount, by way of a forced loan; but in the absence of foreign loans she would be more or less crippled in case of a great war. With France for her ally, Russia might be able to float a loan in Paris, in spite of the influence of the Rothschild group of syndicates; but even this is uncertain. Austria is contracting a loan of 800,000,000 florins to provide for Austrian and Hungarian deficits for the present year and the conversion of Hungarian debentures.

It will be interesting to observe how the rather ponderous "ruler of the Queen's navee," Hon. William H. Smith, succeeds as Lord Randy's successor in the leadership of the House of Commons. Randy has his faults, but in kind though not in degree he does what Disraeli did—he appeals to the imagination. No one can conceive of the highly respectable and eminently prudent Hon. William Smith appealing to the imagination. The only member of his family who does that is John Smith, whom you have always with you, in the census and elsewhere.

WHAT HE WILL NOT DO.

The eastern Conservative press is at present discussing what Mr. Blake, in the event of his becoming premier, would be certain to do with the National Policy. They assert that the present tariff would be swept out of existence and a return made to what they are pleased to term a free trade policy, which they state would be ruinous to the manufacturer. No one possessing a grain of ordinary sense will be found in Canada to believe such nonsense as is preached to the manufacturer in this respect. Canada never had a free trade policy, nor is she likely to have one for many years yet to come. The cry is raised with the avowed object of embittering the manufacturers against the Liberal party, but we are convinced without avail. It is quite possible, nay very probable that the tariff would be amended so as to make it a purely revenue instead of a protective tariff. This can be done without any great injury to either capital or labor, and bear more equitably on all classes of the community.

It will be within the recollection of many of our readers that in 1868 there was a general reduction in the tariff from 20 to 15 per cent. The question is a pertinent one to ask were the factories closed? Not one of them. The period from 1868 to 1873 was the most prosperous one Canada ever witnessed. Good times prevailed over the whole world, succeeded by the great financial and commercial position that wrecked so many long established houses beyond the Atlantic and on the American continent. Canadian manufacturers during the interval between 1868 and 1873 in Canada at all events prospered and made money. Wages were high, employment was plentiful and profits were most satisfactory under the low tariff. Between 1846 and 1860, the whole tendency of British fiscal legislation was in the direction of reducing or abolishing duties on imports. Did Britain's manufacturers go to the wall? By no means. The growth in the output of British factories has been so great that, in spite of the development of manufactures in other countries, in spite of the fact that Britain's rivals work longer hours and accept lower wages, the position of Great Britain as the leading manufacturing country of the world has been successfully maintained. Depend upon it: Canadian manufactures are a result of Canadian demand and an outgrowth of Canadian resources. They will exist, and they will enjoy a fair degree of prosperity, in spite of any tariff changes that may be made in the general interest of the country. The Hamilton *Times* asks the question, do any of the men, who profess to be afraid of Mr. Blake's action, stop to consider what they would do in his place? Is it conceivable that he, as Premier, would take a course that would result in closing the factories and producing general distress in the manufacturing towns and villages? Would Mr. Blake, after spending the greater part of twenty years of active political life in Opposition, deliberately commit political suicide as soon as he obtained the position of Premier? In other words is Mr. Blake an idiot? To ask the question is to answer it. The intelligent Canadian knows in his heart that the manufacturing, as well as the other producing industries of Canada will be safe under Mr. Blake's rule as they are under the rule of Sir John Macdonald. Mr. Blake will not provide a stimulus to inflation, which he well knows must be followed by re-action and loss. He will not make it his first duty to supply abnormal profits to a few at the expense of the many, in order that he may have a select circle from whom to draw corruption funds. He will recognize the principle that he who obtains value must give value for it, and he will make the good of the whole country his aim and his guide.

We are threatened with an avalanche of knighthoods and gewgaws of all descriptions in honor—it would be nearer the truth to say in ridicule—of the Queen's jubilee, says the Toronto *Week*. The report that an effort is being made to limit the number to two thousand sounds like a satirical canard, but we will venture to say that there are at least twice two thousand aspirants. Any one who happens to have seen the private correspondence of a British minister must have formed an enlarged idea of the silly vanity of mankind. It is futile, we fear, to repeat that rank not conferred by the public voice, whatever may be its uses in old countries, is utterly alien, not only to the democratic prejudices, but to the soundest instincts of society in the New World; that it has been sometimes lavished by the inevitable blindness of the home government on the most conspicuous undesert, and that its general effects are evil. There is a special absurdity in the creation of hereditary titles, which, as we have happily no entailed estates, may be borne in the second generation by a shoeblack. By refusing knighthood Mr. Mackenzie and Mr. Blake have rendered a service to this community which ought not never to be forgotten. Honor bestowed because a man happened to be in office in a particular year is surely as perfect a travesty of the system as satire could advise. Any attempt by the introduction of aristocratic distinctions, to set Canada against her democratic neighbor can only be mischievous. It is by her friendly vote in the councils of her own continent that she can give real assistance to her Mother Country.

There was a grand celebration at Berlin on New Year's Day of the 80th anniversary of Emperor William's entrance into the Prussian army.

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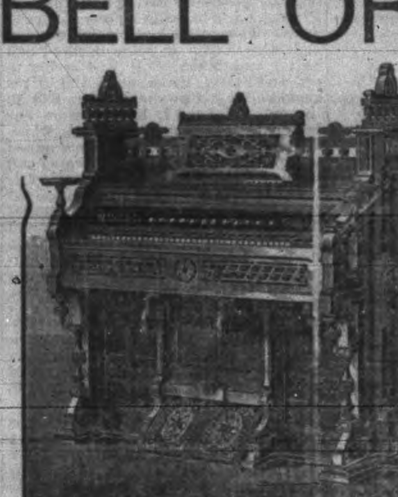

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The transfer books will be closed between the 25th day of January and the 7th day of February, inclusive.

By order of the Directors.
GEO. A. SARGISON,
Dated 7th Jan., 1887. jan8 Secretary.

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GEO. A. SARGISON,
dec21td Secretary.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT THE following described shares in the Capital Stock of the above named Company have been sold at public auction to cover assessment No. 8, with interest and expenses, and that the Certificates therefor have been cancelled, namely:—John Bennett, Certificate No. 976, 50 shares; Elizabeth Emma Cooper, 2, 10 shares; Peter Donnelly, 112, 100 shares; Augustus R. Green, 122, 40 shares and 925, 300 shares; Edith Green, 124, 10 shares; Michael J. Goode, 874, 50 shares and 951, 25 shares; Asbury Insley, 109, 50 shares; Maggie A. Insley, 110, 50 shares; Geo. C. Keays, 60, 100 shares and 269, 100 shares; Loo Chew Fan 554, 300 shares; William McEwan, 115, 50 shares; Thomas Oliver, 56, 30 shares; Guy C. Phinney, 902, 100 shares; Arthur William Reynolds, 1000, 100 shares; Charles Smith, 999, 50 shares; J. Chrystal Smith, 928, 125 shares; J. Spencer Thompson, 1022, 100 shares; John Wilfred Webb 84, 150 shares; and Alexander Wallace, 835, 100 shares.

The public are cautioned not to negotiate any of the above certificates or shares.

GEO. A. SARGISON
Secretary.
Victoria, 13th Jan., 1887. jan 14

In the Supreme Court

OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

BY AN ORDER of the Honourable SIR MATTHEW B. BEGBIE, Knight, Chief Justice, the undersigned has been appointed Receiver of all the personal estate, effects and credits of JAMES DWYER & CO. All persons owing any money, or having any securities of, or belonging to, or in which the said firm, or either of the members thereof, may have any interest whatever, are forthwith required to pay over or account for the same to

JAMES C. PREVOST,
Registrar.
Dated at Victoria, 12th Jan., 1887.

Notice is Hereby Given

THAT APPLICATION WILL BE MADE TO the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act to incorporate a Company for the construction and operation of a line of Railway in the District of New Westminster, in the Province of British Columbia, from a point at or near Ladner's Landing, thence in a northeasterly direction to a point at or near Popcum.

EBERTS & TAYLOR,
Solicitors for Applicants.
Dated at Victoria,
the 7th day of December, A.D. 1886. d8 6w D&W

Notice is Hereby Given

THAT APPLICATIONS WILL BE MADE TO the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to empower the Trustees of the Victoria Fire Department Charitable Association to realize the assets of such Association, and to distribute the same amongst the members thereof proportionately to their terms of service.

YATES & JAY,
Solicitors for the Trustees.
Dated at Victoria, the
23d day of December, A. D. 1886. de 24-6w

NOTICE.

MR. J. J. MACKAY,

OF ASHCROFT, P. O., holds my Power of Attorney during my absence from the province, and will transact any business for me.

W. B. GLADWIN.
Ashcroft, B. C., Dec. 11, 1886. de 15 D&W 1m

Notice.

MR. GUSTAV LEISER HAS BEEN Admitted as a partner in the business of a Dry Goods Merchant, now carried on by Moses Lenz upon Government Street and the concern will henceforth be known as "LENZ & LEISER."

Victoria, Dec. 4, 1886 MOSES LENZ,
GUSTAV LEISER.
Witness, THEODORE DAVIE.

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S. ISAACS.
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Medical Council of British Columbia.

AN EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR admittance to register under the provisions of the British Columbia Medical Act of 1886, will be held in the CITY OF VICTORIA, on TUESDAY, the 1st day of FEBRUARY next. Full particulars will be given by applying to the Registrar.

G. L. MILNE,
jan-8 1m Registrar and Sec'y.

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dec 30 D eod W

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THE YELLOW CAB.

It was a close cab I hailed—a yellow cab—and its number was 1,676. I remember the number distinctly, and I will tell you how it happened that its number and color have stuck like burrs to my memory. When I got out of the door of the Freemasons' tavern on the night of Feb —, 1880, where the dinner of the "Benevolent Superannuated Night Porters' Association" had been held, and called a close cab from the stand, as the cabman got down slowly from his box and opened the door for me with the natty twist and tug peculiar to the craft I looked inside and saw that one of the cushions was torn nearly in half and that the foot mat was kicked up in a dirty heap in one corner. Upon which, observing the number of the cab to be 1,676, and perhaps somewhat exhilarated by the "Benevolent Night Porters'" champagne, I remarked good naturedly that "one night expect things to be at sixes and sevens in cab 1,676." The cabman growled something in return, but he made no other answer.

"No more mad than you, master," replied instantly a voice from somewhere or other; but whether it was the waterman who now stood holding the door and hoping "I would remember him," and whose pewter badge shone like silver in the gaslight; whether it was some street boy lurking for pence; whether it was a drunken waiter or even some mere impertinent passerby I could not in the hurry of the moment determine. I remember, however, replying to the waterman as I gave him a penny, "When I forget thee, then shall Long Acre forget thy cunning"—a foolish perversion of scripture and so unmeaning that the very uttering of it struck me in an instant with the conviction that I had taken too much wine. So the waterman thought, too, for I heard him, as he passed the cabman, say:

"The cove's sprung—take care of him, he's worth half a shiner to ye!"

I felt vexed at the time, yet I said nothing, but roused all my cautiousness, determined to watch this cabman narrowly and resist all attempts at imposition. Wine turns some men into braggarts, others it makes cowards. Some sing, and others talk when wine mounts up into their brain. Me it makes silent, wary, suspicious and cautious. It quickens me, it extends my mental vision, it heightens all my senses. It seems—if I may so express it—to come to the windows of my mind and rub a vapor from them, so that I see people clearer and deeper.

It specially had this effect on me on the night in question, so before the cabman had yet shuffled up the capes of his coat and tied a fresh knot in his whip, I had calculated how many miles it was from Long Acre to my cottage on Downham Green, east of Hammersmith, and observed that the horse was a good one and untired.

"Vere to, sir!" said the cabman, forcing the door with great difficulty into its proper place and then with all his strength grinding down the rusty or bruised handle.

"To No. 4 De Beauvoir Terrace, Downham Green, Hammersmith."

"Take care how you drive that there gentleman," cried out a policeman, and we were off. The lamps of Long Acre passed us in quick procession; it seemed but a minute and we were in St. Martin's lane. At that instant the gusty wind bore across the road the half past 12 struck by the bell of St. Martin's church.

The driver, thinking of his over fare, turned, and tapping the window with a brutal leer, asked me if I heard "the clock a striking"; but I did not reply, for I had taken a strange dislike to the man and my only wish now was to get as soon as possible to my own home and rid myself of a fellow probably half intoxicated and evidently determined to be extortionate and troublesome.

By this time it had begun to rain fast; the mist, before wavering and wandering, now fell in long, lashing lines that beat fiercely against the cab windows, covering them with a moving surface of water that rendered it impossible for one to see out of either glass. The wind too beat against the cab and flew howling before us up the street. Still we drove on fast and steadily up Regent street, where now nothing could be seen but a stray policeman cowering up in a doorway.

I never saw such rain before or since. It seemed to whiten all the pavement and to madly dance and splash as if each drop were a living thing. Yet all this time that the rain seemed ready to beat in the windows, the cabman, with head bent deprecatingly down, drove on, singing scraps of a coarse sea song.

I struck the window angrily to stop his ribald and insolent song; but he did not seem to hear me and paid no attention to my signal; so, throwing myself back in a corner of the cab, I began to turn over the chief events of the evening in my mind just to while away the time.

Through a pleasant haze the past hours seemed again to defile before me. I went through all the moments from the time the man at the door gave me the ticket for my hat to the time I gave it back to the same man and told the waiter to call me a cab from the nearest stand. I remembered all the bows and handshakings of the committee room, and how at last in an irregular body we moved into the dining hall marshaled by the jolly looking portly stewards, with blue rosettes in their buttonholes.

But suddenly through all these motley recollections there flashed a painful thought—a suspicious apprehension of I scarcely know what coming evil. It seemed, when I think of it now, almost like a presentiment of what shortly after happened. I remember that as I sat down, somewhat heated by my speech, and was pouring myself out a glass of that excellent sherry to wind up with, my old friend the doctor—who, by the by, sat opposite me at dinner—leaned across the table and gave me a peculiarly keen and searching look from under those thick gray eyebrows of his.

"What does that detective's look of yours mean, doctor?" said I pleasantly enough.

"It means that you must take care of yourself," said he in a grave voice, and no more passed between us, for at that moment I rose to leave, having some business that would call me up early in the morning. He followed me out though, and when we shook hands in the doorway I am not sure that he did not hold his stop watch in his hand and feel my pulse with the other; but I was so busy helping Nelly on with her scarlet opera cloak that I did not pay much attention to the nervous old fellow, who, between ourselves, I think is rather getting past work; he worries one so with warnings and mysterious threats, as if I wasn't in the finest health and my life insurance just advantageously settled.

Dear Nelly! what an anxious look she gave me as I stepped into my cab! I was sure that girl loved me.

All this evening I had been haunted with anxieties about that troublesome chancery case of mine, "Wormwood vs. Widgett," the vexations and delays of which had nearly driven me mad. I had really felt quite giddy over it that very morning, and began to get alarmed about overworking my brain, as my doctor taxed me with doing. I could not get the thought of it even now out of my mind till a certain growing apprehension overpowered it.

We were still driving on at a strange, unequal rate—now at a furious gallop, now at a fierce trot—but where we were I could not very well determine. I looked out, for we had just got into a dark by street, and there was no lamp visible up or down as far, at least, as I could see without putting my head out, for the windows were jammed so close that it was impossible to open them.

It was here that, for the first time, I began somehow or other to have some vague apprehension of the sanity or the honesty of my driver. Then came thronging into my brain stories I had heard years ago in Paris of a celebrated and dangerous gang of thieves who had for their accomplices many of the drivers of the night fiacres. These fellows drove whatever passengers they could procure into obscure streets and there robbed and sometimes murdered them. Was I to be the victim of such a scheme? and if I was what hope had I, alone and unarmed, to escape, at such an hour, too, and on such a night?

Now was the time to resist, however, before it was too late. My resolution was prompt. I struck at the window as loudly as I could without breaking the glass; I kicked at the panels of the door; I shouted. Suddenly with a tremendous jolt on the curb the cab stopped. As the door opened I cried: "Let me out, you rascal; I'll not be robbed." I stepped forward to get out but was met by a fierce blow on the chest from the cabman, whose eyes now literally glared with rage.

"That's enough of your mad trick, Bedlam Billy," he said, as he thrust me back violently into the cab; "you want a straight vestcut, you do, and you shall have one;" then slamming the door with a wrench that showed extraordinary strength he leaped on the box and drove away again with a fury that sent me reeling into a corner of the seat.

Hitherto I had dreamed only of robbery; now I was sure that the man who drove me was mad, stark, staring mad.

He was going to drive me into some river or down some pit or in some way or other to hurry himself and me to a horrible death. There he was now, standing up to drive, leaning forward to lash on the eager horse that, frothing with pain, leaped up at every blow of the man's whip. I do not know why I did not instantly break both front windows and pull the man off the box, or force open the door and throw myself out, or, breaking all the glass, shout to every one through the openings that the man who was driving me had gone mad.

From whatever cause it happened I know not, but I did none of these things. It was now long past midnight, and I could see no one, not even a policeman. We were fast getting into the suburbs. The speed rendered it almost certain death to leap out, and, moreover, no strength that I could evoke could succeed in opening either door. I waited, therefore, for some halt or pause that would give me an opportunity of struggling with the madman to whose care I had so unhappily trusted myself.

On we flew, on—the horse leaping and plunging as if it would have broken from the harness. We dashed down streets whose random lamps seemed to race past us; we tore down the lanes where houses were yet but few, except at the beginning.

We were now racing up a long side street where in the distance, to my horror, I could just discern through the pale light of the first daybreak a yawning pit dug for the foundations of new houses. There was no railing on one side, and the road was a mere deep rutted lane without limit or boundary.

I saw at once that our fate was inevitable; it came ere I could in any manner extricate myself from the vehicle. The horse near the deepest place gave a plunge and reel, and then dropped, in spite of the redoubled lashing of the frantic driver—yes, fell, dragging the carriage with it into what seemed to me in that imperfect light and in that whirl of my senses a chasm of darkness at the bottom of which crouched hideous Death waiting for his prey. There was a crash, a cry and I fell stunned.

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I know not how long I lay insensible; but when I recovered it was daybreak, a faint red light was striping the eastern sky, and I could see surrounding objects, though in a dim, uncertain way. I was lying beside the fallen coach and its dead horse; the driver I could nowhere see. My first impulse was to rouse myself, totter on my legs and discover where I was hurt or if any bone was broken. To my great delight I found myself whole and sound with the exception of a slight sprain in my right foot. At least so I thought at first; but as I put down my hand to touch my injured foot a heavy red clotted drop of blood fell upon it. I lifted my hand to my forehead and found there a deep cut, from which the blood was oozing thickly. I instantly took out my handkerchief and bound it tightly round the wound so as, if possible, to stanch the blood till I could get assistance. But where was I and where was the driver? "Thank God," I cried aloud, "that I am at last rid of that madman!"

But the wretched maniac who would have taken my life, was he lying crushed beneath the cab? I must rouse myself and see if I can find any trace of him, though doubtless he believed me dead. If unhurt he had fled, howling and exulting, to meet with that certain detection he had not cunning enough to escape; if injured, he had crawled away to obtain help.

As these thoughts passed through my mind I stepped painfully over the dead horse, and again exclaiming "Thank God, he is gone!" walked round to the other side of the cab, which hitherto had been hidden from me.

Good heavens! what did I see? My enemy the madman sitting down between the upturned wheels with his back against the body of the carriage, quietly cutting a leather trace into two long flexible strips. On his face, which was smeared with blood and gore, there was a hideous smile of malice as his eyes met mine.

"Vy, hullo, Lushington!" he said, not appearing the least alarmed or surprised, and continuing his task, "this is a rum start of yours, isn't it? Vot are you agoing to give me for my fare? I'm not going away, Colney Hatch, without getting paid for your mad capers, don't think it, Mr. Hauwell. So now, then, Crazy Bill, stump up."

"It is you who are mad," I said, "and I leave you to your keeper."

"We'll see about that," said the villain, slowly getting on his legs and advancing toward me with the two leather straps, that he had now knotted into one long cord, dangling behind his back. "You must come off with me to Bedlam, my man; you ain't safe at large; a cold shower bath is what you want, old Billy Bedlam. Now easy—hiss—easy."

"Lunatic," I cried, "beware of a desperate man."

"There's two of us desperate, as fur as that goes, my customer," said the wretch, leaping on me to bind my hands.

God forgive me for it, but as the fellow advanced, and ere he could seize my throat, I drew a long, broad knife quickly from my trowsers pocket and stabbed him under the left breast. He threw up his hands, screamed "The madman's done it!" and fell dead on his face.

I stood for a moment spellbound, but the sight of a red stream of blood winding toward my feet aroused me.

I was a murderer; my brain was on fire; those drear gaunt houses seemed dancing round me; the earth was heaving into graves.

I erased the number of the cab, 1,676, to avoid detection, then threw down the knife and fled I knew not where with the speed of an escaped malefactor.

I shall never know where I ran. I passed through streets where the shops were beginning to be opened in the bright morning sun; people called to me but I never stopped; I leaped over gates and chased through the rank grass of the lonely meadows. There was a dead stillness at first in the air, and I thought I had escaped; but presently a sound, at first no louder than the buy of a watch dog, seemed to gradually swell into the clamor and cry of a vast pursuing mob. I could hear voices and the tramp of feet; the wretches had dogs with them; they were tracking me. How strange that among them I seemed to especially distinguish the voices of Dr. Pledgett and his daughter Nelly! What had they to do there? I saw the mob breaking through a distant orchard and thought I had beaten them off like so many wild cats, but suddenly in front came at a turning I could not avoid, ran three men. They point to a dead, bleeding man lying on the ground. I dash at them. They are blows that fall crashing on my head and then there is a great darkness.

When I awoke it was a soft spring morning; I was in bed in a room I had never seen before. Oh, so neat and trim! A goldfinch was singing pleasantly at the window and there were bouquets of violets on the white cloth of the dressing table. A bright, rosy cloud rippled over the sky; a cheery fire sent quivering up the chimney its little yellow flames and made a cozy, mournful sound with its puffing jets of gas. I rose in bed by a great effort, for I was very weak, and looked at myself in the great toilet glass that faced the bed. I saw not myself but a pale, hollow faced, gaunt old man, whose shaven head was bound in wet bandages. It looked like that of Lazarus when he ascended those steps that led from the inner darkness.

Suddenly the door opened and who should enter but my friend Dr. Pledgett! It was his house I was in. He smiled when he saw me once more conscious; but shook his finger when he observed that I was trying to speak.

The rest may be told in a few words. The long and the short of it was that I had had a brain fever. The disease had broken out the night of the charity dinner, as my doctor had long expected. The severe mental labor of that case of "Wormwood vs. Widgett" has been too much for my brain. Pledgett had, indeed, as he sat opposite me at dinner that eventful night seen premonitory symptoms of the disorder and had tried to follow my cab. By my friend's wish I had been sent to his house for the sake of greater attention.

Of my crazy doings that night the less said the better. They ended, however, I may mention, in my upsetting the cab myself (for I had insisted on driving) in a dangerous place and then stabbing the cabman, whom I had mistaken for a madman. Luckily the wound, though it bled severely, had not proved dangerous. As for myself, I had then fled from the cabman, who had tried to take me safely home, seeing I was delirious; and being found in a field near Chiswick, was driven to a hospital from whence Dr. Pledgett, hearing of my detention, took me to his own house.

I soon recovered, thanks to my kind doctor, but, alas! having before lost my senses, I now lost my heart. I spent my long days of convalescence in wandering in the garden with Nelly, in practicing duets and reading Tennyson. I soon found it impossible to be happy without her.

To-morow week, Nelly Pledgett, I am proud and happy to say, becomes Mrs. Osbert Wilkinson, thanks to my imaginary mad cabman and the yellow cab No. 1,676.—Walter Thornbury.

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BALANCE SHEET, 31st DECEMBER, 1886.

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES	
Municipal Taxes	$14,928 20	Corporation Summary	$40,770 71
Victoria Water Works, Sinking Fund:		Revenue Account	14,928 20
$100,000 Loan	28,650 00	Bank B. N. A.	4,783 00
do 50,000 do	19,750 00	Water Works Debenture Loan:	
do 20,000 do	5,708 00	Interest	58 30
Electric Light debentures:		Ross Bay Cemetery	1,790 80
Sinking Fund	596 00	Corporation Debentures Account	20,000 00
Drainage Debentures:		Cemetery Property	1,940 49
Sinking Fund	186 00	Drainage Debentures Account	5,000 00
Corporation Debentures:		Electric Light Debentures Account	16,000 00
Sinking Fund	5,924 88	Streets and Bridges Debentures Acct.	50,000 00
Maps of City	560 57	Water Works Debentures Account:	
Electric Light Plant	31,252 00	$75,000 Loan	5,000 00
Corporation Horses and Carts	1,391 50		
Town Lot 1419	2,419 00		
Town Lot 1250	2,000 00		
Spring Ridge Property	3,473 80		
Pound Property	1,000 17		
Street Gas Lamps	669 80		
Road Roller and Rock Crusher	6,057 42		
Drainage Account	4,293 25		
City Hall	10,876 47		
Steam Engine	1,000 00		
Corporate Seal	168 80		
Fountain	729 00		
Electric Light Building	3,701 70		
Office Furniture	2,256 94		
Water Works Reservoirs	2,462 00		
Bank B. N. A. Account	1,538 00		
Scow	200 00		
Steam Drills	1,422 30		
Street Sprinklers	190 00		
Cash on hand	148 62		
	$160,285 50		$160,285 50

Victoria, B. C., 7th January, 1887.

THOS. RUSSELL, Accountant.
J. W. GRIFFITHS, Auditor.

Cash Statement for the Year ending 31st December, 1886.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURES.	
Cash on hand 1st January, 1886	$ 239 23	Provincial Government	$ 729 25
Bank B. N. A., Increase of balance	3,653 56	Water Works, general account	15,616 52
Water Works Rents	37,795 44	WATER WORKS—	
Fire Insurance, Direct Tax	5,187 50	Sinking fund, $100,000 loan	2,250 00
Street Repairs, Refund	165 42	do 50,000 do	1,750 00
City Police, Refund Burial Fees	10 50	do 20,000 do	412 00
City Pound, Fees	279 75	Fire department	14,759 20
Surveying Expenses, Street Lines	55 00	Electric light debentures, sinking f'd	596 00
Street Lighting, Refund	91 98	Drainage debentures, sinking fund	186 00
Water Works Debentures:		Street Repairs	28,774 99
$75,000 Loan, Refund of Interest	26 30	Streets and Bridges, $50,000 Loan Acct	23,940 40
Real Estate Tax	55,296 20	City Police	16,678 13
Trades Licenses	15,587 00	City Pound	822 10
Wholesale Liquor Licenses	1,250 00	Charges, including Salaries, Printing, etc.	
Retail do do	13,125 00	Advertising, Election Expenses, etc.	7,983 26
Road Tax	1,641 00	Weighing Machine, Fees	2,197 05
Weighing Machine, Fees	222 50	Board of Health	1,202 75
Maps of the City, Sold	118 50	Street Lighting	6,072 52
Police Court, Fines and Fees	2,782 60	Sidewalks	6,224 52
Ross Bay Cemetery, Fees	1,897 50	Sidewalks, $50,000 Loan	8,905 13
Corporate Seal, Receipts	8 00	Legal Expenses	559 60
Streets and Bridges, Debentures	50,000 00	Commission on Collections	954 90
Water Works Debentures:		Donations, including Royal Hospital, $300; Agricultural Association, $500; Militia, $150, Regatta, $100	1,389 50
$75,000 Loan	5,000 00	Discount on Silver	26 57
Bank B. N. A. (Cheques), Reservoirs Account	3,462 00	Corporation Debentures, Sinking Fund	619 65
		Corporation Interest	1,479 00
		Water Works, Interest $100,000 Loan	6,650 00
		do do 50,000 do	3,587 50
		do do 20,000 do	1,600 00
		Electric Light Debentures, Interest	960 00
		Drainage Debentures, Interest	300 00
		Reasons Hill Park	425 00
		General Interest	1,335 11
		Weighing Machine, Commission	20 80
		Maps of Victoria, cost	679 97
		Police Court, Refund	125 00
		Ross Bay Cemetery	1,290 08
		Electric Light plant	$18,956 60
		Less refund overcharge freight	242 66 18,734 00
		Corporation Cart	150 00
		Pound Property, New	675 30
		Road Roller and Rock Crusher	699 31
		Drainage	15 00
		Pickering & Compton Sewerage plans	3,198 00
		Electric Light Building	3,701 70
		Office Furniture	24 37
		Water Works Reservoirs, including Land purchased	2,462 00
		Bank B. N. A., Reservoir Account	5,000 00
		Steam Drills	38 10
		Street Sprinkler	190 00
		Vancouver Relief Fund	500 14
		Cash Balance	183 62
	$197,905 08		$197,905 08

Victoria, B. C., 7th January, 1887.

THOMAS RUSSELL, Accountant.
J. W. GRIFFITHS, Auditor.

Statement of Actual Cash Assets and Liabilities, 31st Dec., 1886.

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
Municipal Taxes outstanding	$14,928 20	Bank of B. N. A.	$4,783 00
Cash on hand	183 62	Unpaid contracts in hand	11,815 10
Balance	2,512 58	Accounts unpaid	1,036 30
	$17,624 40		$17,624 40

Victoria, B. C., January 7th, 1887.

THOMAS RUSSELL, Accountant.
J. W. GRIFFITHS, Auditor.

Victoria Water Works, Balance Sheet, 30th December, 1886.

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
Bank B. N. A.	$ 53,616 92	Interest and Sinking Fund	$ 53,616 92
Corporation of Victoria	165,874 88	Debenture Account	162,500 00
Construction Account	229,909 43	Revenue Account	165,765 31
		Redeemed Debentures	7,500 00
	$399,382 23		$399,382 23

Victoria, B. C., 7th January, 1887.

THOMAS RUSSELL, Water Commissioner.
J. W. GRIFFITHS, Auditor.

VICTORIA WATER WORKS.

Statement of Revenue Collected and Disbursed from 1st January to 31st December, 1886.

RECEIPTS.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
Water Rents	$36,071 19	Charges, including Salaries, Printing, etc.	4,267 94
Services collected	1,715 25	Maintenance	1,252 37
		Service Pipes	1,775 40
		Main Pipe Extension	8,320 81
		Corporation of Victoria	22,169 92
	$37,786 44		$37,786 44

Interest and Sinking Fund Account.

1885. RECEIPTS.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
Nov. 30.—Balance at credit of account	$47,570 19	Paid Interest on Coupons presented between 1st December, 1885, and 30th November, 1886	$10,455 00
Cash received from the Corporation of Victoria, between 1st December, 1885, and 30th Nov., 1886, to pay interest on all loans	10,455 00	Balance	53,616 92
Same—Sinking fund	4,034 44		
Interest allowed by Bank B. N. A. on amounts at credit of Sinking Fund	1,432 29		
	$64,071 92		$64,071 92

CITY HALL, VICTORIA, B. C., January 8th, 1887.

TO HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND MUNICIPAL COUNCIL:

GENTLEMEN: The books and vouchers for the year from 1st January to 31st December, 1886, have been examined by me and are correct. I hand you herewith balance sheet, statement of actual cash assets and liabilities, statement of cash receipts and disbursements; also water works balance sheet, receipts and disbursements, and interest and sinking fund account for the year ending 31st December, 1886.

I may call your attention to the fact that the amount estimated for electric light plant and building was $13,000, the actual amount expended being $22,435 70, and for fire department was $9,000, while the actual expenditure was $14,759 20. The latter account, however, includes a number of hydrants, repairs to fire engines and 500 feet of hose now on the way from England.

Your obedient servant,

J. W. GRIFFITHS, Auditor.

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Sole Agents for British Columbia.

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Uncle Frank's Saloon,

to Mr. THOMAS BEBBINGTON, and would bespeak for him in the future that support which you have so generously afforded me in the past.

F. G. RICHARDS, Sr.

Referring to the above, the business will be conducted on the same principles as hitherto.

UNCLE FRANK'S SALOON,

LANGLEY ALLEY.

dec15 1m THOS. BEBBINGTON, Proprietor.

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Railways and Steamers.

CANADIAN PACIFIC Navigation Co.

(LIMITED.)

TIME TABLE NO. 2

Taking effect July 12, 1886.

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VICTORIA TO

Port Moody and Vancouver, Daily except Monday, at 2 o'clock.

Moodyville and Hastings, Wednesday and Friday, at 2 o'clock.

Port Moody to Victoria, Daily except Monday, at 2:20 o'clock.

Vancouver to Victoria, Daily except Monday, at 12:20 o'clock.

New Westminster Route.

LEAVE VICTORIA

For New Westminster, Ladner's Landing and Lulu Island, Monday at 6 o'clock, Wednesday and Friday at 7 o'clock.

Plumper Pass Friday, at 7 o'clock.

Port Hammond, Monday at 6 o'clock. Friday at 7 o'clock.

Leaves Port Hammond for Victoria, Monday at 15 o'clock. Friday at 19 o'clock

Leaves New Westminster for Victoria, Tuesday, at 4 a. m.; Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.

For Plumper Pass, Tuesday at 7 o'clock.

Fraser River Route,

Leaves New Westminster for Hope, Chilliwhack, Sumass, and way landings Tuesday and Saturday at 7 o'clock

Leaves Hope for New Westminster and way Places Monday and Wednesday at 8 o'clock.

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L. F. H. BAERNSTEIN.

Copy Frank Campbell Jr.

Victoria, B. C. jan 19 1m

The Daily Times.

PUBLISHED EVERY AFTERNOON EXCEPT SUNDAY.

Victoria, Saturday, Jan. 15, 1887.

DIED.

TILTON.—In this city on the 13th inst., Florence Irene, daughter of Howard and Anne M. Tilton, aged one year, seven months and seven days.

The funeral will take place on Sunday at 1:15 p. m., from the parents' residence, View street, and at 1:30 p. m. from Christ Church Cathedral.

CITY AND PROVINCE.

—Pyke Opera Co. to-night at Victoria Theatre, last time of "Boccaccio."

—A car load of stoves just received at Cowan, Shaw & Co.'s *

—The Senate is the only place in the city to get Iced Drinks. *

—Cowan, Shaw & Co. are closing out their stoves at cost. *

—Clod Hopper's letter is crowded out to-day.

—Miss Johnson will lecture at Harmony Hall at 7:30 to-morrow evening.

—After the opera go to the Poodle Dog for refreshments and oysters. *

—For first-class Canadian butter go to FELL & Co. *

—Money saved by having your plans made by FISHER, the ARCHITECT

—Full house sure to-night, Victoria Theatre for "Boccaccio" and Jeannie Winston.

—Photographic views along the line of the C. P. R. in B. C., for sale at R. MAYNARD's, Douglas St.

—Remember the annual meeting of the French Benevolent society, to-morrow (Sunday) afternoon at 1.30 o'clock.

—Last appearance of Jeannie Winston and Pyke Opera Co., to-night in "Boccaccio" at Victoria Theatre.

—A fine line of water proof coats and umbrellas, cheap at A. GILMORE's, Johnson street. *

—The Elder had on board to-day 350 boxes of apples, grown near Seattle, for the San Francisco market.

—Garney's celebrated stoves, at Cowan, Shaw & Co.'s; great reduction in prices. *

—Last performance at Victoria Theatre to-night "Boccaccio" will be rendered by Jeannie Winston and full strength of the Pyke Opera Co.

—FINEST IN TOWN—The Misses and children's spring heeled boots at ERSKINE's boot and shoe Emporium, corner of Government and Johnson streets. *

—It is seldom that Victoria is visited by so fine an opera company as the Winston-Pyke organization. Last performance to-night of "Boccaccio."

—For Christmas goods FELL & Co. have always carried off the palm, and this year have not only a much larger supply but a greater variety. *

—Jeannie Winston, Louise Manfred and Tellula Evans to-night for the last time at the Victoria Theatre, and Louis De Lange also will make himself heard.

—Christmas is near at hand, and FELL & Co., as they always have, had the first assortment of new fruits, and are now in receipt of a second consignment. *

—Louis DeLange will "climb a twig" in "Boccaccio" at Victoria Theatre tonight. This is Louis last climb, and "I hope it won't happen again."

—Fresh oysters by the bottle delivered to all parts of the city. Young Bros., New England Bakery, Government street, between Yates and Johnson streets. *

—The American Club's hop in Denny's hall last night was very largely attended. The Queen City Quintette orchestra furnished excellent music.

—Officer Abel met an individual, named Phillip Chalk, last night on the street who wanted a free night's lodging. The officer accommodated him.

—Snow began falling about 1:30 this morning; at daylight a light mantle covered the ground, which melted before noon.

—The telegraph wires have been down in the neighborhood of Seattle for five days. But as that is only the normal condition of things we don't grumble.

—If you want to send "home" a Xmas or New Year's present that will be appreciated, send your photograph. Have it taken at Hall & Lowe's Government street. *

—GOODWIN & JORDAN, piano manufacturers, tuning and repairing. FACTORY CORMORANT street, between Douglas and Blanchard. First class work only. Telephone 98; P. O. box 422. *

—The Protestant Orphans Home has been enriched by $58.75, net proceeds of the Ali Baba matinee. The thanks of the Home are cordially tendered to the officers of H. M. S. Cormorant.

—Louis DeLange will "Draw the Line at That" to-night at Victoria Theatre. If Louis will "draw a full house" everybody will feel satisfied, if not, well, "We hope it won't happen again."

—FELL & Co. having completed arrangements in the east for the supply of choicest Butter and Cheese from the best dairies, are now in a position to give their customers the full benefit of such arrangements. *

—KNIGHTS OF LABOR:—A lecture will be given on Saturday evening, January 15th, at 8 o'clock, in Harmony Hall by CAPT. MCCALLUM on "The Dignity of Labor." A cordial invitation to all classes. Admission free. *

Says the St. John, N. B., *Telegraph*: British Columbia may fairly boast of its climate. A telegram from the Pacific province received during the holiday season says: "The snow is all gone. Violets, pansies and roses were picked in the garden sto-day."

—Jeannie Winston is without doubt a most lovable "Boccaccio." Many ladies really envy Miss Manfred in her love scenes with this beautiful being. Tonight is the night, and don't you forget it, that these love scenes will be rendered with all the realistic effects possible, aided of course by a little red fire and usual beautiful costumes.

—Saskatchewan coal is selling in Winnipeg at $6.75 per ton. The article is pronounced good and excellent in every respect for fuel purposes. A ton of coal is considered equal to a cord and a half of wood. The price of the latter ranges from $6 to $7. The coal is transported by rail and water, a distance of over 600 miles. In Victoria coal is sold at $8 per short ton of 2000 lbs. The transportation is by water; and the distance only 75 miles. No satisfactory explanation has yet been made as to the reason of the difference in price.

—Jeannie Winston in "Boccaccio" tonight, Victoria Theatre. Her farewell performance. Greet her right royally.

Portland Citizen Dead.

Hon. John W. Brazee died at Portland on Thursday, after a long illness. The deceased formerly had charge of the Oregon Steam Navigation Company's affairs at the Cascades, which position he held for many years, and was superintendent of the first railroad in Oregon or Washington Territory—a short line at the Cascades. He owned the St. Charles Hotel, Portland, and was brother-in-law of M. S. Drew of Port Gamble.

CORPSE IN A STUMP.

A Body Found in a Hollow Tree at Vancouver.

On Thursday afternoon, Joseph Wolfer found a corpse in a hollow stump at the foot of Granville street, Vancouver, and at once notified the police. The stump is about ten feet in length and hollowed out by fire. The corpse is so much decomposed that death must have occurred several months ago. The body is fully dressed, the flesh of the head and face having fallen away through decay presenting a ghastly appearance. A strap and a knotted handkerchief are believed to be the articles with which the deceased strangled himself, as they are bound round the head and neck and attached to a notch in the tree. As the strap is broken it is supposed that the suicide, in his death struggle, snapped the leather in two and the noose being tied tightly, produced suffocation. There will be an investigation by the coroner.

Free Trade.

The reduction of internal revenue and the taking off of revenue stamps from Proprietary Medicines, no doubt has largely benefitted the consumers, as well as relieving the burden of home manufacturers. Especially is this the case with *Green's August Flower* and *Boschee's German Syrup*, as the reduction of thirty-six cents per dozen, has been added to increase the size of the bottles containing these remedies, thereby giving one-fifth more medicine in the 75 cent size. The *August Flower* for Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint, and the *German Syrup* for Cough and Lung troubles, have perhaps, the largest sale of any medicines in the world. The advantage of increased size of the bottles will be greatly appreciated by the sick and afflicted, in every town and village in civilized countries. Sample bottles for 10 cents remain the same size. *

Arrested for Vagrancy.

"Captain" John Linton, in former years captain of the old schooner Experiment, but more lately a man with decided theatrical tastes, was put behind the bars of the city lock-up yesterday by Officer Lindsay on a charge of vagrancy. The captain is very soft on theatricals and can be seen almost every night at the theatre in a prominent seat in the dress circle. He may be re-called to memory by many of our readers, in describing him as over six feet tall, grizzly, slouchily attired, and while talking is barely intelligible from a whistling in his throat. The latest exploit of the captain's was the knocking down of a young society gentleman in front of the theatre on Tuesday evening last for some slight offence. It is generally believed that the latter affair was the cause of the captain's arrest for vagrancy. The sum of $30.25 was found in his pockets.

The King's Head.

The old King's Head saloon, Johnson street, of which Messrs. Doering and White are the proprietors, two young gentlemen well and favorably known here, has been thoroughly renovated and refitted in splendid style and is the headquarters for Victoria's nimrods. There are numerous beautiful deer heads to be seen adorning the walls, also bear heads, mountain goats, mountain sheep, elk, &c., all beautiful specimens of forest game. A panther destroying a fawn, in a large glass case, is very natural and worthy of inspection. A case of birds, comprising grouse, quail, pheasants, ducks, &c., the work of S. Whittaker, taxidermist, is a splendid collection. Under the able management of the proprietors the house is certain to prosper. Empire brewery beer is retailed here at 5c per glass.

Important to Ladies.

Read what Jeannie Winston, Portland's favorite prima donna, says of Wisdom's Robertine:

PORTLAND, Dec., 1885.

To W. M. WISDOM:—The "Robertine" you so kindly sent me is excellent. It is the finest preparation I have ever used, and is a decided acquisition to a lady's toilet. Yours Truly,

JEANNIE WINSTON.

The above is published in order to settle all doubts and disputes as to the existence of such an endorsement, and as evidence of the high esteem in which Wisdom's Robertine is held. This preparation has been before the public but a short time, yet the sale has been extraordinary. D. E. CAMPBELL, Fort street, SOLE AGENT. *

The Railway Slide.

The wash-out beyond Goldstream was repaired during the day and the train reached Nanaimo about 5 p. m. This morning's train left at the usual hour and a special came down from Nanaimo. During the winter and spring communication may occasionally be interrupted by wash-outs, which it is impossible to guard against in a mountainous district where the rainfall is heavy, but accidents are not likely to result therefrom as the trains only run in day time and at a slow rate of speed.

Knights of Pythias.

The following officers of Far West Lodge, No. 1, were installed last night by D. S. C. W. S. Chambers, at the lodge rooms, Foresters' Hall: P. C., H. B. Rendall; C. C., D. F. Fee, Jr.; V. C., R. J. Plummer; P., M. Conlin; M. of F., W. H. Brooks; M. of E., J. S. Fullerton; K. of R. and S., B. H. John; M. of A., Alex. Watson, Jr.; I. G., H. Webber; O. G., S. Arnold.

Arrested.

This morning William Seitz, a well known personage of this city as figuring lately for a position on the police force, was arrested by Officer Walker on a warrant, charged with obtaining a suit of clothes from Hugh O'Hagan, a Yates street tailor, under false pretenses. The case was set down for hearing at the police court to-day, but was not called. It will come up on Monday.

For San Francisco.

The Geo. W. Elder, which sailed for San Francisco at 1 o'clock, carried the following passengers from this city: Miss G Pidwell, Mrs J Dassonville, Thos Paine, Geo E Munro, Mrs Purkiss, Miss Mary Purkiss, W. Tietjen, Mrs Dupont, H Saunders, G M O'Toole, Wm Floyd, D McPhee, Chas Smith and fifteen in the steerage.

The Metlakahtlans.

The Metlakahtla Indians, who were sentenced to two months in the New Westminster gaol for assaulting and obstructing the surveyors, were liberated this week, their terms having expired. They will return to their homes on the next steamer with a higher regard for the law than they formerly entertained.

Insane.

Archie Buchanan, of Vancouver, having become insane, has been sent to the asylum. He is a native of Prince Edward's Island, and has been in this province for the past ten years. Two of his brothers were affected with the same malady.

B. C. Stationery and Printing Co.

The Gospel Choir by Ira D. Sanky, 65c. Select Notes on the International S. S. Lessons, $150. Chambers' Encyclopedia, cloth, $20. Webster's Dictionary, Indexed, $14. See our 12 mos., $1.00.

J. B. Ferguson, Manager, next door to the post office. *

—A splendid HALL's burglar proof safe is offered for sale at a bargain. Apply at this office.

BLACK DIAMOND CITY.

Gas Light for Nanaimo—The New City Council—Words of Advice.

THE TIMES' correspondent writing from Nanaimo this morning, says:

Our city of Black Diamonds will at last assert herself. The general business houses of the city will be lighted up with gas to-night. The Nanaimo Gas Company have been pushing the work of service with all possible despatch the last few days. The gas now being manufactured is said to be good. The Vancouver Coal Company's No. 1 shaft coal is something excellent for such purposes. It is expected that Messrs. A. R. Johnston & Co., E. Pimbury & Co., W. Wilson, Raper, Raper & Co., W. E. Webb, and A. G. Horne will all light up with gas to-night. The No. 1 shaft will in the near future be lighted above and below with gas; and as rapidly as possible the business houses, boarding houses, hotels, halls and private residences will have their connections made. The street lamps are expected to arrive to-night per steamer Amelia, and will, as quickly as possible, be put in position and lighted.

The city elections are over and all seem settled down to our normal condition. We do not wish to dictate to the new members, but they must well know that if Nanaimo is to hold her own in the race of progression now going on in British Columbia, a heavy responsibility rests upon their shoulders. It cannot be expected that any great amount of improvement can be done by municipal revenue alone. There is considerable room for practical improvement on the streets and bridges. The past has been lamentable for lack of system. Our council made an excavation; its successor filling it in again. If anything is done, let it be done right. Let them adopt first permanent grades, and work always to that end. Let there be an end of sidewalks one foot or eighteen inches below the crown of the road; and both new work just turned out of the corporate treasury! Far better to make three streets permanently than patch and repair two dozen; only for their predecessors to squander more cash upon. Next year there is great need for more water reservoirs to protect the town in case of fire. Three tanks, any sensible man knows, is but a small supply, when one looks at the property at stake. Take the business houses taxes off the rate polls and general revenue would be but small. Their extra contributions entitles them to extra protection. Yet there was one bitter lesson which should not be lost sight of, not even by the new councillors, that is the deplorable condition of the hose owned by the fire company at the fire on the 5th ult. Length after length burst, and the engines had to be stopped while the fire fiend raged onward and upwards. Had it not been for the providential stillness of the night the loss instead of some $5,000, or so, would have been higher to $100,000. Not only did the hose refuse to do its duty but the water gave out long before the flames were quenched. Make our volunteers confident of their machinery. We cannot afford to neglect them; they give their services and are put to serious pecuniary loss in clothing, &c., at every fire. Let us show our appreciation by helping them in material and all reasonable assistance possible, remembering it is far more manly to give a helping hand to them than to stand aside, and find fault and growl. Even though we admit that the latter is the easier if careful guardianship of the civic funds is wisdom; but remember penuriousness is direst folly. We think that if wiser counsels prevail the surplus in cash will be utilized in much needed improvement. Lastly remember that any one councillor's ward—is not always the best interests of the city. We have the elements of prosperity in our district, and if all pull together, for improvements and progress, the new council will undoubtedly leave foot-prints upon the sands of time. OLD BENSON.

A Royal Fib.

The Victoria correspondent of the Vancouver *News* manufactured the following item: "About a year ago there was some talk occasioned by the Chinese Minister to the United States not being allowed at this port for several hours on account of his not having the necessary papers. It is now asserted on good authority that the supposed minister was in reality a brother of the Emperor of China sent out privately to investigate the condition of the Chinese in North America. He visited Victoria disguised so that none of the Chinese merchants at this place could identify him, and put up at the Driard. He visited every Chinese merchant in the city and talked with some of them for over two hours, gathering what information he could. He wore a wig, and was otherwise disguised as a European. He spoke very good English and interested himself generally as to the condition of his subjects."

New General Manager.

A San Francisco dispatch says, that notice has been received by the local representative of the Canadian Pacific, that Lucius Tuttle has been appointed General Passenger and Traffic Manager over all lines on the Pacific coast.

POLICE COURT.

(Before Edwin Johnson, Esq., S. M.)

John Linton, charged with vagrancy; remanded until 18th.

Francis Dempster, alias Scotty, charged with stealing $14 85 from Jenny Gibbons, an Indian woman, remanded until Tuesday.

CONSIGNEES.

Per North Pacific from the Sound: R City P Mills, J Rosseau, E E Blackwood.

Per R. P. Rithet from New Westminster to-day: S Sargent, J Leeward, Dom Ex Co, Cowan, Shaw & Co, S Leiser, Mrs H C Halpenny, Hamm & Marboeuf, E G Prior.

PUGILISTIC.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES:

SIR,—In the local columns of the *Colonist* of to-day is an account of a pugilistic exhibition which took place last night between two captains and two sealers. In justice to ourselves we wish to state that the assault was a most cowardly attack on the part of the two captains, as they jumped upon the two sealers while they were on their way to an evening party. But before the affair ended, the two handsome captains felt satisfied within themselves that they had undertaken a heavy contract in trying to knock-out the sealers. The latter enjoyed the party all the same.

FIRST AND SECOND SEALERS PENELOPE.

A number of springs of pure petroleum, heavier than that hitherto found, have been discovered at Gemseh, Egypt.

NEW TO-DAY.

Kings Head Beer Hall,

JOHNSON STREET

THE old favorably well known House has been splendidly renovated and ranks now amongst the finest fitted up Houses in the town. Wm. White late of the Fountain Saloon, will be happy to see all his old friends and acquaintances, and the aim of the establishment shall be, as in the past, to make the above resort in every respect as comfortable for their guests as possible.

DOERING AND WHITE.

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PERSONALS.

Dr. A. C. West, dentist, will return to Victoria on Monday with a view of remaining.

Dr. W. Walkem, wife and two children, and Miss Lola Collin, the elocutionist, are on the Mexico due Monday.

Mr. Robert McLeese, M. P. P. for Cariboo, arrived in the city to-day and will remain for the session of the legislature. Mr. McLeese carries his right arm in a sling, the result of a dislocation sustained when thrown out of a sleigh a few weeks ago.

Passengers from New Westminster today: Jas Laidlaw, Robt McLeese, Jas Henley, W H Adams, H Good, James Beede, J Peterson, W Peterson, Vivian, Johnson, Stone.

At the Driard: O F Casper, Geo Hall, Seattle; C Crocker, Thos Codville, Portland; C W Rhodes, Moody; D K Mollison, Toronto; F B Boatman, U. S.

Passengers per steamer North Pacific: Jno Landman, B Burgess, W J Burgess, G E Bueder, Jno L Watts, Mrs Nicholas, R S Lyers, J L Watt, J Wilson, J Johnson, D Pratt, S Z Mitchell, C L Terry, F Paine, J Smith.

Mr. Henry Saunders left to-day for San Francisco.

Mrs. Dupont left by the Geo. W. Elder to join her husband in California. Major Dupont is rapidly recovering.

MARINE.

The Geo. W. Elder arrived at 11 a. m from the Sound and sailed at 1 p. m. for San Francisco.

The Princess Louise arrived at 4 a. m. this morning from Burrard Inlet, having been detained waiting for the train from the east. She left Port Moody at 7 p. m.

The Monarch Line steamer Celtic Monarch, which left Cardiff January 24th for Philadelphia, was abandoned at sea in a sinking condition. The crew were rescued by the steamer Lake Superior, which has arrived at Liverpool from New York. Her crew numbered 28 men. She carried no passengers.

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Cabinet Changes.

The latest political rumor is that Sir Charles Tupper is to enter the Cabinet as Minister of Finance, Hon. Mr. McLelan to be appointed Lieut.-Governor for Nova Scotia; Mr. J. C. Patterson, of North Essex, to become Postmaster-General, vice Sir Alex. Campbell, who will be appointed Lieut.-Governor of Ontario. The Hon. John Costigan is to receive a permanent position. His place will be filled by Mr. P. A. Landry, Q. C., of Kent, N. B.

Thos. H. Johnson, Deputy Commissioner of Crown Lands for Ontario, died suddenly last Saturday of heart disease.

Geo. A. Drummond has been elected president of the Montreal Board of Trade.

NEW TO-DAY.

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NOTICE.

THE annual general meeting of the French Benevolent and Mutual Association, will be held at the above named institution on Sunday next, 16th inst., at 1:30 P. M. A full attendance is requested. By order of the Board

G. H. BROWN, Secy. Pro. Tem.

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12 Yds. do. do. Heavy	1 00
12 Yds., Canton Flannel	1 00
2 Yds., Wide Unbleached Sheeting	25
2 Yds., Wide White do. do.	35
12 Yds., White Cotton	1 00
9 Yds., do. Fine 36 inches Wide	1 00
15 DOZEN	
Ladies Cashmere Hose	40
40 DOZEN	
Ladies Cashmere Hose, Seamless	50
100 PAIRS	
Ladies Coraline Corsets in Gold and Scarlet per Pair	75
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Mens Heavy Wool Undershirts	75
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Capt. John Irving, [illegible]
[illegible]
John Paterson, [illegible]
[illegible]
J. G. [illegible]

jan11 td R. MITCHELL, Secretary.